#### INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Thursday, November 19, 2009 in the Auditorium of the Indiana Government Center-South 302 West Washington Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

#### I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Ms. Valentino called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Indiana Government Center South Building, 302 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 and declared a quorum, in accordance with IC § 25-23-1-5(b).

#### **Board Members Present:**

Laurel Valentino, R.N., President Jerry Burghduff, L.P.N., Vice-President Anne Ogle, Consumer Member Marcia Laux, R.N., Member Lynda Narwold, R.N., Secretary Connie McIntosh, R.N., Member Carolyn Slagle, R.N., C.N.S., Member Stacy Henderson, L.P.N., Member

#### **Board Members Absent**

Scott Johns, R.N., C.R.N.A., Member

#### **State Officials Present:**

Sean Gorman, Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency Lori Grice, Assistant Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency Lisa Chapman, Litigation Specialist, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency Gordon White, Nursing Board Advisory Counsel, Office of the Attorney General

#### II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda, as amended.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion carried 8-0-0.

## III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2009 MEETING OF THE BOARD

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the September 19, 2009 Nursing Board Meeting Minutes.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion carried 6-0-2, OGLE, SLAGLE abstained.

#### IV. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 15, 2009 MEETING OF THE BOARD

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the October 15, 2009 Nursing Board Meeting Minutes.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF
Motion carried 5-0-3, MCINTOSH, HENDERSON, SLAGLE abstained.

#### V. INDIANA STATE NURSES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Charles Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director, presented the monthly report to the Board. Mr. Lindquist informed the Board that ISNAP has, as of November 1, 2009, 593 active clients, 35 new intakes, 70 intakes in process, 24 closures in monitoring and 43 new Recovery Monitoring Agreements returned.

Mr. Lindquist addressed the attendees at the Board Meeting at the request of the Board President and described the nature of the ISNAP program, which provides monitoring and assessment / treatment referral services to nurses licensed in Indiana who meet the program's monitoring criteria.

#### V. EDUCATION

**A. MedTech College:** Proposed curriculum changes for RN and LPN programs at Indianapolis, Greenwood, and Fort Wayne campuses.

Representatives from MedTech College appeared before the Board to answer questions about a proposal to change the PN program curriculum to include more clinical hours and a separate proposal for the RN program to combine two courses into a comprehensive professionalism and nursing trends course and to shift the 5 credits that this frees up to an additional quarter of Med-Surg. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed changes.

LAUX/NARWOLD Motion carried, 8-0-0.

# B. Kaplan College: Proposed curriculum changes for the Indianapolis NW LPN program. PROPOSAL WITHDRAWN

C. Harrison College: Board site visit report.

Representatives from Harrison College appeared before the Board to answer questions regarding their application full accreditation for their ASN - RN program. The Board reviewed the site visit report. A motion was made and seconded to award full accreditation status to the program.

NARWOLD/LAUX Motion carried, 8-0-0.

- **D. Brown Mackie College, Indianapolis:** FYI Interim practical nursing program chair: Elizabeth Baker CNM, MSN.
- E. Marion Community Schools: FYI New LPN program director: Katelyn Carmichael.
- F. Vincennes University: FYI New Nursing Department Chair: Mary Ann Wehmer, RN, DNP, CNOR
- G. ITT Tech South Bend: Site visit report and application for accreditation of a Registered Nursing education program. CANCELED APPROVED IN OCTOBER

#### VI. DISCUSSION

#### A. Gregory Gast Order from October, 2009 – request to amend wording

Mr. Gast requested the Board amend the existing order to accurately reflect the accurate criminal charges against Mr. Gast that served in part as the basis for the Board's disciplinary action. A motion was made and seconded to amend the wording of the order as requested.

BURGHDUFF/SLAGLE Motion Carried 8-0-0

## B. Rachelle Goddard Order from October, 2009 - Request to amend wording

Ms. Goddard requested the Board amend the wording in her Order to reflect the fact that her license was never suspended and did not require reinstatement. She also requested the Board consider changing its finding that she had become unfit to practice due to her failure to keep abreast of current nursing practice standards. A motion was made and seconded to approve the language changes regarding reinstatement but to leave unchanged the Board's finding.

BURGHDUFF/SLAGLE Motion Carried 8-0-0

#### VII. BOARD DIRECTOR REPORT

Mr. Gorman reported to the Board that 84,000 RNs renewed their licenses during this renewal cycle, and that 81,000 of those who renewed did so online. The Agency is encouraging the expanded use of email communication from the Board going forward to save on printing and postage costs. In another cost-savings measure, the agency will no longer issue pocket license cards or wall certificates for new licenses, effective December 1, 2009.

The NCSBN's continued competence committee for 2010 meets for the first time in January 2010. Mr. Gorman will again be participating as the committee is charged with studying and developing recommendations to licensure improvements that would better ensure continued competence to practice throughout the nursing professional's career.

#### VIII. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Personal Appearances will be conducted in a separate conference center room concurrently with Board hearings scheduled for the morning. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh conducted the personal appearance interviews and made recommendations for the full Board's consideration and official action. Mr. Burghduff also presented recommendations from personal appearances conducted during a separate ALJ meeting on November 18, 2009. A motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendations as follows and as reflected in the minutes for the November 18, 2009 meeting:

## A. Appearances by Applicants for Licensure

1. Mary Ellen Perry - Endorsement

Ms. Perry appeared before the Board regarding her application for licensure by endorsement. Ms. Perry reported a DUI conviction and alcohol abuse treatment. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Perry contact ISNAP for evaluation and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be issued free and clear.

## Tracy Miller – Endorsement CONTINUED

## 3. Noah Kabusa – Endorsement

Mr. Kabusa appeared before the Board regarding his application for licensure by endorsement. He reported two domestic dispute related arrests. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Mr. Kabusa's license be issued free and clear.

## 4. Carolyn Reuter – Endorsement

Ms. Reuter appeared before the Board regarding her application for licensure by endorsement. Ms. Reuter reported having voluntarily surrendered her Oregon license. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Reuter have the opportunity to withdraw her application or be denied. Mr. Reuter is withdrawing her application.

# B. Appearances by Applicants for Renewal

## 1. Mary Johnson

Ms. Johnson appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. Ms. Johnson disclosed a 2009 OWI conviction and is currently participating in ISNAP. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Johnson continue her ISNAP compliance and that her license be renewed free and clear.

## 2. Joseph A. Hurt

Mr. Hurt appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. Mr. Hurt reported a 2009 OWI arrest. He has a prior OWI conviction. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Mr. Hurt contact ISNAP for evaluation. He is to be renewed on a probationary status for at least the duration of his RMA, if eligible.

#### 3. Karen Ladd

Ms. Ladd appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported having a positive urine drug screen in her scope of employment for valium. She reports having a pending ISNAP participation. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Ladd maintain her ISNAP RMA and that her license be renewed free and clear.

#### 4. Jeanne Knuth

Ms. Knuth appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She disclosed an employer reprimand for not following protocol. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Knuth's license be renewed free and clear.

## 5. Lynette Reese

Ms. Reese appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported terminations in 2005, 2007, and 2008. Ms. Reese reported that there were personality issues, policy misinterpretation, and other situations. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Mr. Reese's license be renewed free and clear.

#### 6. Karen Guenin

Ms. Guenin appeared in person and by counsel, Mark Guenin. Ms. Guenin disclosed several employer disciplinary actions for practice issues. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Guenin's license be renewed free and clear.

## 7. Douglas Skinner

Mr. Skinner appeared in person regarding his application for renewal of licensure. He reported a DUI conviction in late 2008. He reports having completed all terms of his criminal probation. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Mr. Skinner contact ISNAP for an evaluation and sign an RMA if eligible. He is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 8. Amber Parsons

Ms. Parsons appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported an OWI conviction resulting from a motor vehicle accident. She reports being on criminal probation until January of 2010. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Parsons contact ISNAP for an evaluation and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 9. Susan Stalder

Ms. Stalder appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported DUI convictions in 2008 and 2009. She is currently participating in ISNAP. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Stalder's license be renewed on a probationary status for at least the duration of her ISNAP RMA.

#### 10. Jennifer Mulvaney

Ms. Mulvaney appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 DUI conviction. She is currently participating in ISNAP. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Mulvaney continue her ISNAP participation, and that she be renewed free and clear.

## 11. Julie Mirise

Ms. Mirise appeared in person and by counsel, David Jose. Ms. Mirise disclosed the voluntary surrender of her California nursing license regarding a circumstance where she administered an incorrect dosage of medication and changing the order. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her license be renewed on a probationary status until she has her CA license reinstated; Ms. Besaw shall seek reinstatement of her CA license when eligible in October 2011.

#### Debra Fecho

Ms. Fecho appeared in person in regards to her application for renewal of licensure. She was initially licensed in early 2007 but did not renew her license in 2007. She reports she was unaware that she had to renew and did not discover that her license was on expired status until this renewal cycle. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her license be renewed free and clear.

#### 13. Kelly Besaw

Ms. Besaw appeared in person and by counsel, David Jose. Ms. Besaw disclosed discipline against her health facility administrator license. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her license be renewed free and clear.

#### 14. Sally Coffman

Ms. Coffman appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported employer termination for a medication error that she was found to have at least partial responsibility for. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her license be renewed free and clear.

## 15. Sue Ellen Hamilton - CONTINUED TO JANUARY

#### 16. Stephanie Fang

Ms. Fang appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI arrest and conviction. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Fang contact ISNAP for evaluation and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

## 17. Michelle Cosgray

Ms. Cosgray appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI arrest and conviction. She reports having completed the terms of her criminal probation. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Cosgray contact ISNAP for evaluation and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 18. Dawn Welch CONTINUED TO DECEMBER

#### 20. Keri Baker

Ms. Baker appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI arrest and conviction. She has successfully completed all the terms of her criminal probation. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Baker contact ISNAP for evaluation and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

## 21. Gazel Anthony Mehok

Mr. Mehok appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. He reported a termination from employment for theft in regards to medications that were found in his possession. He is currently participating in an ISNAP RMA. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Mr. Mehok be renewed on probation for at least 6 months of compliance with his ISNAP RMA.

## 22. Jane Abraham

Ms. Abraham appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a criminal conviction for possession of methamphetamine. She is currently participating in ISNAP and is deemed partially compliant. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Abraham be renewed on a probationary status for at least the duration of her criminal probation or her ISNAP RMA, whichever is longer.

## 23. Angela White

Ms. White appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI. She has no prior arrest history. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. White contact ISNAP for an evaluation and that she sign an RMA if eligible. Her license is to be renewed free and clear.

# 24. Cheryl Newberg

Ms. Newberg appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a termination from her employment for 4 documented practice errors. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Newberg's license be renewed free and clear.

#### 25. Lynn Lichatowich – CONTINUED TO DECEMBER

#### 26. Charice Curtis

Ms. Curtis appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported pending criminal charges for inappropriate use of employer accounts to make loans to herself and others. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her license be renewed on a probationary status for the same terms and conditions as her probationary nursing license in Kentucky.

#### 27. Robin Galli

Ms. Galli appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a recent felony DUI and a previous DUI in 2007. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her license be renewed on a probationary status for at least one year of compliance with an ISNAP RMA if eligible.

#### 28. Douglas Houser

Mr. Houser appeared in person regarding his application for renewal of licensure. He reported a termination for documentation errors. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that his license be renewed free and clear.

#### 29. Eric Moss - reschedule for December

#### 30. Jason Huff

Mr. Huff appeared in person and by counsel Kathryn Cordell regarding his application for renewal of licensure. Mr. Huff disclosed that he was Director of Nursing at a facility where a patient death occurred as a result of a bed rail issue. He reported having addressed the issue through implemented policy changes. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that the matter be tabled pending the completion of the Attorney General's office investigation.

#### 31. Karen Hoff

Ms. Hoff appeared in person regarding her application for renewal of licensure. Ms. Hoff reported employer discipline in regards to practice issues and documentation practices. Ms. Hoff changed due times on medication orders as a matter of routine. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Hoff's license be renewed on a probationary status until she provides documentation of having completed 24 contact hours of continuing education for nurses, 6 each in the areas of documentation, medication administration, pharmacology, and ethics. She will also be required to submit at least 3 monthly reports from her nursing supervisor.

# C. Appearances by Applicants for Renewal - More Than Three Years

1. Linda Hobart – Expired 1993

Ms. Hobart sent correspondence requesting that her application for renewal be withdrawn if she is required to come to Indiana for a personal appearance. Her application will be withdrawn.

#### Kimberly Weaver – Expired 2005

Ms. Weaver appeared before the Board in regards to her application for renewal of licensure. She reported that she has worked on the expired license since that time. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her renewal application be denied.

## 3. Angela Courtad – Expired 2002, positive response

Ms. Courtad appeared before the Board in regards to her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2004 DUI. She currently holds a Colorado license that is on a probationary status for diversion. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that Ms. Courtad be renewed on a probationary status for at least the duration of an ISNAP RMA, if eligible.

## 4. Janie Hawhee - Expired 2004, positive response

Ms. Hawhee appeared before the Board in regards to her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a revocation of her New Mexico license. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her license renewal application be denied.

# 5. Patricia Scott - Expired 2005

Ms. Scott did not appear before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that her license renewal application be denied.

## 6. David Lawson - Expired 1993

Mr. Lawson did not appear before the Board regarding his application for renewal of licensure. Mr. Burghduff and Ms. McIntosh recommended that his license renewal application be denied.

#### VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

The following hearings were scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. Cases were heard on order of arrival, with the exception of proposed settlement agreements, which were heard first.

# A. In the Matter of the License of: Sharon Lowman, L.P.N., License No. 27061428A RESOLVED VIA SETTLEMENT IN OCTOBER

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 200

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

# A. In the Matter of the License of: Martha Likens, L.P.N., License No. 27041889A CONTINUED

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 156

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

#### B. In the Matter of the License of: Anna J. Abernathy, L.P.N., License No. 27060831A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 193

Re: Proposed Surrender of License; Disciplinary Hearing

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent was not present.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Carolyn Slagle

Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license on September 30, 2009. Respondent submitted a request to surrender her nursing license in response.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to deny Respondent's motion to surrender and to proceed with a hearing on the State's complaint.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 6-0-0.

A motion was made and seconded to issue a Notice of Proposed Default to Respondent for her failure to appear.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 6-0-0.

# C. In the Matter of the License of: Cecelia Marie Hicks, L.P.N., License No. 27045893A CONTINUED

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 177

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

## D. In the Matter of the License of: Kelly D. Crowe, L.P.N., License No. 27055350A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 166 Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent was not present.

Morgan Burton, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Carolyn Slagle Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license. On November 16, 2009, the parties filed with the Board a proposed settlement agreement that would place the Respondent's license on indefinite suspension with the condition that she demonstrate at least 6 months of complete compliance with an ISNAP RMA prior to eligibility for reinstatement.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the proposed settlement agreement as final disposition of the matter.

VALENTINO/NARWOLD Motion Carried 6-0-0.

# E. In the Matter of the License of Rachel Thibideau, L.P.N., License No. 27043707A

CONTINUED

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 167

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

## F. In the Matter of the License of: Kay Ann Rice, L.P.N., License No. 27032043A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 169 Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent was not present.

Morgan Burton, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

# **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Carolyn Slagle Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license. The parties filed a proposed settlement agreement on November 4, 2009 that would require the Respondent to pay a \$250 fine to the IPLA within 90 days of a final order.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed settlement agreement as the final disposition of the matter.

VALENTINO/SLAGLE Motion Carried 6-0-0.

## G. In the Matter of the License of: Sue Doreen Taylor, L.P.N., License No. 27056605A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 168 Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent was not present.

Morgan Burton, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lvnda Narwold Carolyn Slagle Stacy Henderson

Case Summary: The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license. The parties filed a proposed settlement agreement on October 28, 2009 that would require the Respondent to pay a \$250 fine to the IPLA within 90 days of a final order.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed settlement agreement as the final disposition of the matter.

## H. In the Matter of the License of: Sandra Kay Boucherie, R.N., License No. 28105614A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 180

Re: Motion to Continue: Disciplinary Hearing

This matter has been continued by agreement between the parties.

#### I. In the Matter of the License of: Jason Winningham, L.P.N., License No. 27055914A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 181

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Jason Winningham, Respondent.

Elizabeth Kiefner Crawford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson

Case Summary: The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license on September 28, 2009. The parties requested time to continue to negotiate a settlement agreement.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to place the Respondent's license on a summary suspension for a period of 90 days.

VALENTINO/NARWOLD Motion Carried 5-0-0.

## J. In the Matter of the License of: Wayne Biggs, R.N., License No. 28163436A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 182

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Elizabeth Kiefner Crawford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Carolyn Slagle Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license on September 28, 2009.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to issue a Notice of Proposed Default to Respondent for his failure to appear at the scheduled hearing.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 6-0-0.

# K. In the Matter of the License of: Tonya Campbell, L.P.N., License No. 27051426A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 171 Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Carolyn Slagle Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license; the parties subsequently filed a proposed settlement agreement on October 28, 2009 that would require Respondent to pay a \$250 fine to the IPLA within 90 days and to complete 24 contact hours of continuing education for nurses.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed settlement agreement as the final disposition of the matter.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 6-0-0.

## L. In the Matter of the License of: Rodney Sosbe, R.N., License No. 28180620A

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 022

Re: Order to Show Cause

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Darren Covington, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Carolyn Slagle Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The parties submitted a proposed agreement for the Respondent's license to be placed on an indefinite summary suspension status.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the agreement pending resolution of outstanding issues prior to a future hearing.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 6-0-0.

## M. In the Matter of the License Application of: Carl Carnes

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 134

Re: Appeal of Denial of Licensure - Continued from September

#### Parties and Counsel Present:

Carl Carnes.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Carolyn Slagle Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The Board previously denied Mr. Carnes' applications for licensure as a registered nurse by endorsement and then by examination due to his voluntary surrender of his Ohio nursing license as part of a criminal plea agreement. Mr. Carnes appeals the Board's decision.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to make Mr. Carnes eligible to test. Upon passing, he is to be issued a probationary license for at least one year of compliance with an ISNAP RMA.

VALENTINO/LAUX

Motion Carried 4-2-0, OGLE and HENDERSON opposed.

## N. State of Indiana v. Sandra Leigh Fritch, R.N., License No. 28111990A

Administrative Cause No. 2003 NB 0030 Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Sandra Fritch, Respondent.

Darren Covington, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

Charles Lindquist, witness on behalf of the Respondent.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The Board issued its final order placing Respondent's license on indefinite probation on September 18, 2003. Respondent has submitted a motion to withdraw that probationary status on the grounds that she has met all of the Final Order's requirements.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probationary status on Respondent's license.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 5-0-0.

## O. State of Indiana v. Mary Elisabeth White, R.N., License No. 28152378A

Administrative Cause No. 2005 NB 0193 Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Mary White, Respondent,

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

# **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson

**Case Summary:** The Board issued its final order placing Respondent's license on indefinite probation on May 8, 2008. Respondent has submitted a motion to withdraw that probationary status on the grounds that she has met all of the Final Order's requirements.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probationary status on Respondent's license.

LAUX/NARWOLD Motion Carried 5-0-0.

The following hearings are scheduled to begin at 1:30 pm. Cases will be heard on order of arrival, with the exception of agreements, which will be heard first.

P. In the Matter of the License of: April Dawn Hughes, R.N., License No. 28149040A CONTINUED

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 157

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

## Q. In the Matter of the License of: Tammy Friedman, R.N., License No. 28108095A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 165 Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license and this hearing was scheduled. The parties filed a proposed settlement agreement on October 28, 2009 that would issue a formal letter of reprimand to Respondent and require her to pay a \$500 fine to the IPLA.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the proposed settlement agreement as the final disposition of the matter.

BURGHDUFF/LAUX Motion Carried 8-0-0.

#### R. In the Matter of the License of: Shepherd, Cheryl (Chambers), R.N., License No. 28132892A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 146

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license and this hearing was scheduled. The parties filed a proposed settlement agreement on November 19, 2009 that would place the Respondent's license on indefinite probation for the duration of a compliant ISNAP RMA, require her to complete 36 contact hours of continuing education for nurses, and pay a \$500 fine to the IPLA.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to reject the proposed settlement agreement and to continue the matter for hearing at a future Board meeting.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## S. In the Matter of the License of: Dawn Marie Wiley, L.P.N., License No. 27047427A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 132

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Oale Marcia Laux Lvnda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

Case Summary: The State of Indiana filed a complaint against the Respondent's license on July 21, 2009 and a hearing notice was issued. The parties have continued the matter by mutual agreement as they continue to negotiate a settlement agreement. There is no current proposed settlement agreement for the Board to consider

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to continue the matter for hearing at a future Board meeting.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF

Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## T. In the Matter of the License of: Sandra Love, L.P.N., License No. 27032353A

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 197

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

This matter has been continued for hearing at a future Board meeting.

# U. In the Matter of the License of: Jason B. Keller, L.P.N., License No. 27060611A

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0119

Re: Request to Reinstate

## Parties and Counsel Present:

Jason Keller, Respondent,

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

Charles Lindquist, Witness for Respondent.

# **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle

Marcia Laux

Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson

Carolyn Slagle

Connie McIntosh

Jerry Burghduff

Case Summary: The Board placed Respondent's license on an indefinite suspension status by a final order issued September 10, 2009. Respondent submitted a motion to reinstate based on his compliance with the terms of the suspension order

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to reinstate Respondent's license on an indefinite probation status for the duration of his ISNAP RMA.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF

Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## V. In the Matter of the License of: Helen Gartner, R.N., License No. 28113320A

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0149

Re: Request to Reinstate

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Helen Gartner, Respondent.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

Charles Lindquist, Witness for Respondent.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Oale Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

Case Summary: The Board placed Respondent's license on an indefinite suspension status by a final order issued October 31, 2008. Respondent submitted a motion to reinstate based on her compliance with the terms of the suspension order

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to reinstate Respondent's license on an indefinite probation status for the duration of her ISNAP RMA.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF

Motion Carried 7-0-0.

## W. State of Indiana v. George Edwards Barnes, R.N., License No. 28120533A

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 020

Re: Order to Show Cause

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle

Marcia Laux

Lynda Narwold

Stacy Henderson

Carolyn Slagle

Connie McIntosh

Jerry Burghduff

Case Summary: The Board issued a letter of reprimand to Respondent as part of a final order issued on July 26, 2007. The Board issued an Order to Show Cause on November 2, 2009 based on information the Board received regarding his compliance with the previous order.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to issue a notice of proposed default to Respondent for his failure to appear as scheduled.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF

Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## X. State of Indiana v. Catherine M. Novak, L.P.N., License No. 27037662A

Administrative Cause No. 99 NB 032

Re: Request to Reinstate

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Darren Covington, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The Board placed Respondent's license on an indefinite suspension status in a Final Order issued June 27, 2000. The Petitioner submitted a request for reinstatement of her license on the grounds that she has met the Order's requirements.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to continue the hearing on Respondent's request to a future meeting.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## Y. In the Matter of the License of: Paul R. Smith, L.P.N., License No. 27046898A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 083 Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel. Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The State filed a complaint against Respondent's license and a hearing notice for this hearing was issued. A proposed settlement agreement was submitted by the parties on October 28, 2009 that would place the Respondent's license on an indefinite suspension status for at least 10 years and require the submission of a psychological evaluation prior to eligibility for reinstatement.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the settlement agreement as final disposition of the matter.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 4-3-1.

## Z. In the Matter of the License of Tricia A. Wilson, L.P.N., 27060631A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 217

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Elizabeth Kiefner Crawford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The State filed a complaint against Respondent's license and a hearing notice for this hearing was issued. A proposed settlement agreement was submitted by the parties on November 16, 2009 that would place the Respondent's license on an indefinite suspension status for at least 3 years. Prior to eligibility for reinstatement, Respondent is to maintain 12 months of continuous compliance with an ISNAP RMA, submit the results of a psychological evaluation, complete 72 contact hours of continuing education for nurses, and pay a \$1,500 fine to the IPLA.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the settlement agreement as final disposition of the matter.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF

Motion Carried 7-1-0, McIntosh opposed.

# AA. In the Matter of the License of: Jacob Housel, R.N., License No. 28187674A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 184 Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Jacob Housel, Respondent.

Darren Covington, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.'

Charles Lindquist, Witness on behalf of the State.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The Board placed Respondent's license on an indefinite probation status in a Decision on License Application order issued September 30, 2009. The Respondent submitted a request have that probationary status withdrawn on the grounds that he has met the requirements outlined in the Order.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probationary status from Respondent's license.

BURGHDUFF/VALENTINO Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## BB. In the Matter of the License of: Erica Council, L.P.N., License No. 27053567A

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0152 Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Erica Council, Respondent.

Morgan Burton, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lvnda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

Case Summary: The Board continued Respondent's license on an indefinite probation status pursuant to an Order issued June 27, 2008 following an Order to Show Cause hearing. The Respondent submitted a request to withdraw that probationary status on the grounds that she has met all of the Order's requirements.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probationary status from the Respondent's license.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## CC. In the Matter of the License of: Harriet Pennington, R.N., License No. 28113881A

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 104

Re: Order to Show Cause

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Harriet Pennington, Respondent. Morgan Burton, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

Charles Lindquist, Witness for the State.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson

Case Summary: The Board placed Respondent's license on an indefinite probation status in a Decision on License Renewal Application filed September 11, 2008. The Board issued an Order to Show Cause on November 10, 2009.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to issue no further disciplinary action and to modify the terms of Respondent's RMA to require a reduced number of random UDS.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 5-0-0.

## DD. In the Matter of the License of: Belinda Slone, L.P.N., License No. 27050918A

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 182

Re: Order to Show Cause

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Belinda Slone, Respondent.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The Board placed Respondent's license on an indefinite probation status in a Decision on License Renewal Application Order filed November 5, 2008. The Board issued an Order to Show Cause on November 10, 2009.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to continue the hearing on this Order to Show Cause for a future Board meeting.

## VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF

Motion Carried 7-0-1, NARWOLD abstained.

A motion was made and seconded to place Respondent's license on an emergency suspension status.

## **BURGHDUFF/VALENTINO**

Motion Carried 7-0-1, NARWOLD abstained.

# EE. In the Matter of the License of Beth Ann Tom, R.N., License No. 28138530A

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 159 Re: Request for Hearing on Pending Matters

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Morgan Burton, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The parties submitted various motions for the Board's consideration regarding this unresolved compliant against Respondent's license.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to deny Respondent's requests and to continue with the hearing at the December Board meeting.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## FF. In the Matter of the License of: Jason Whitman, R.N., License No. 28153139A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 196 Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Elizabeth Kiefner Crawford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The parties submitted a proposed settlement agreement that would place the Respondent's license on an indefinite probation status until his Ohio nursing license was reinstated free and clear.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to continue consideration of the matter to the December Board Meeting.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 8-0-0.

#### GG. State of Indiana v. Julie Kay Green, L.P.N., License No. 27052013A

Administrative Cause No. 2006 NB 0077

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Morgan Burton, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The State of Indiana filed an amended complaint against the Respondent on September 3, 2009 and notice was issued by the Board for this hearing.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to issue a notice of proposed default to the Respondent for the Respondent's failure to appear at the scheduled hearing.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 8-0-0.

## HH. State of Indiana v. Leslie Benjamin (Johnson), L.P.N., License No. 27041743A

Administrative Cause No. 2002 NB 0119

Re: Order to Show Cause

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Leslie Benjamin, Respondent.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

Charles Lindquist, Witness on behalf of the State.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle

**Case Summary:** The Board placed the Respondent's licenser on indefinite Probation in a Final Order issued November 29, 2006. The Board issued an Order to Show Cause based on information regarding Respondent's compliance with the terms of that Order.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place Respondent's license on indefinite suspension for at least 6 months of compliance with an ISNAP RMA and require the Respondent to pay a \$250 fine to IPLA and costs to IPLA and the Attorney General's office prior to petitioning for reinstatement.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF

Motion Carried 5-0-1, SLAGLE abstained.

#### II. In the Matter of the License of Liza Aspiras, R.N., License No. 28147132A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 133 Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh Jerry Burghduff

**Case Summary:** The parties submitted a proposed settlement agreement that would place the Respondent's license on an indefinite probation status until the Respondent has submitted documentation of completing 20 contact hours of continuing education for nurses and pays a \$250 fine to the IPLA.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the proposed settlement agreement as final disposition of the matter.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF

Motion Carried 7-0-1, NARWOLD abstained.

#### JJ. In the Matter of the License Application of: Carl Carnes

Set for A.M. Hearing

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 134

Re: Appeal of Denial of Licensure - Continued from October

#### IX. DEFAULT HEARINGS

#### A. In the Matter of the License of: Billie Ruth Thomas, L.P.N., License No. 27044063A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 151

Re: Notice of Proposed Default

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel. Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle

**Case Summary:** The Board issued a Notice of Proposed Default and Summary Suspension order on October 28, 2009 for Respondent's failure to appear at a hearing scheduled previously before the Board. The Respondent submitted a response to the proposed default.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the Respondent's response and to reschedule the hearing on this matter for the December Board meeting.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 5-0-0.

#### B. In the Matter of the License of Shannon N. Clark, R.N., License No. 28162476A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 173

Re: Notice of Proposed Default

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel. Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle

**Case Summary:** The Board issued a Notice of Proposed Default for Respondent's failure to appear at the hearing scheduled for October 15, 2009.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to find the Respondent in default.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 5-0-0.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place Respondent's license on an indefinite suspension status.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 5-0-0.

## C. In the Matter of the License of Andrew Sean Hicks, L.P.N., License No. 27025534A

Administrative Cause No. 2004 NB 0199

Re: Notice of Proposed Default

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

# **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle

**Case Summary:** The Board issued a Notice of Proposed Default for Respondent's failure to appear at the hearing scheduled for October 15, 2009.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to find the Respondent in default.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 5-0-0.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place Respondent's license on an indefinite suspension status for at least 25 years. Prior to eligibility for reinstatement, Respondent must retake and pass the qualifying examination required of initial license applicants.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 5-0-0.

# D. In the Matter of the License of: Ellen Tice, L.P.N., License No. 27060984A

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 008

Re: Notice of Proposed Default

## **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

Elizabeth Kiefner Crawford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

#### Participating Board Members:

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle

**Case Summary:** The Board issued a Notice of Proposed Default and Summary Suspension Order for Respondent's failure to appear at the hearing scheduled for October 15, 2009.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to find the Respondent in default.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 5-0-0.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place Respondent's license on an indefinite suspension status.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 5-0-0.

# E. In the Matter of the License of: Patricia Elaine Oates, L.P.N., License No. 27052996A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 170

Re: Notice of Proposed Default

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel. Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

# **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh

**Case Summary:** The Board issued a Notice of Proposed Default for Respondent's failure to appear at the hearing scheduled for October 15, 2009.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to find the Respondent in default.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 7-0-0.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to issue an Order requiring Respondent to pay \$250 to the IPLA and costs for the IPLA and the Attorney General's office.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 7-0-0.

## F. In the Matter of the License of: Bonnie Sue Quick, L.P.N., License No. 27034948A

Administrative Cause No. 2009 NB 158

Re: Notice of Proposed Default

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel. Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General on behalf of the State of Indiana.

## **Participating Board Members:**

Laurel Valentino, Hearing Officer Anne Ogle Marcia Laux Lynda Narwold Stacy Henderson Carolyn Slagle Connie McIntosh

**Case Summary:** The Board issued a Notice of Proposed Default for Respondent's failure to appear at the hearing scheduled for October 15, 2009.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to find the Respondent in default.

VALENTINO/LAUX Motion Carried 7-0-0.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place Respondent's license on an Indefinite Suspension status for at least 25 years. Prior to eligibility for reinstatement, Respondent must document at least one year of compliance with ISNAP or its equivalent substance use monitoring/treatment and pay a \$4,000 fine to the IPLA and costs to IPLA and the Attorney General's office.

VALENTINO/BURGHDUFF Motion Carried 7-0-0.

## X. PERSONAL APPEARANCE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM NOVEMBER 18 and 19, 2009;

#### INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING - ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE MEETING

Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. in Room W064 of the Indiana Government Center South 302 West Washington Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

#### PERSONAL APPEARANCES

The Indiana State Board of Nursing requested the following individuals to appear before the Board in regards to their application for initial licensure or renewal of an established license to practice nursing in Indiana. These personal appearances were conducted by a Nursing Board member acting in the capacity of an Administrative Law Judge. The Board Member made a decision as to how to proceed with the application for licensure and did present this decision as a recommendation to the full Board at its November 19, 2009 meeting.

## A. Appearances by Applicants for Licensure

1. Regina Doyle - Examination

Ms. Doyle appeared before the Board regarding her application for licensure as a licensed practical nurse. She disclosed a 2007 conviction for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Doyle be made eligible to test, that she contact ISNAP and be evaluated and participate if eligible. She will be issued free and clear.

#### 2. Tiffany Goodman – Examination

Ms. Goodman appeared before the Board regarding her application for licensure as a licensed practical nurse. Ms. Goodman disclosed previous arrests for unpaid speeding tickets which were dropped, and an arrest in 2004 for battery, in which charges were dismissed. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she be made eligible to examine and that upon passing she be issued free and clear.

#### 3. Maureen Keilman – Examination

Ms. Keilman did not appear before the Board regarding her application for licensure by examination. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she be rescheduled for the December Board meeting.

## 4. Darcy Owings - Endorsement

Ms. Owings appeared before the Board regarding her application for licensure by endorsement. She reported a disciplinary action against her license in Michigan. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Owings be issued free and clear.

Tracy Miller – Endorsement - Continued

## B. Appearances by Applicants for Renewal

# 1. Kathleen McGreevy

Ms. McGreevy appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 conviction for OWI. She has completed an ISNAP evaluation and did not meet criteria for monitoring. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she be renewed free and clear.

#### Melissa Fields

Ms. Fields appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a pending charge of battery resulting from a domestic dispute. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Fields contact ISNAP and be evaluated for RMA eligibility. She is to be renewed free and clear.

## Judy Stall

Ms. Stall appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported two pending OWI charges resulting from 2 different incidents. She is currently undergoing treatment and has initiated contact with ISNAP. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Stall be renewed on a probationary status for at least the duration of her criminal probation or her ISNAP RMA, whichever is longer.

#### Andrea Bowman

Ms. Bowman appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a domestic dispute in which she was arrested for kicking her partner's front door. She is currently on criminal probation for the criminal mischief conviction. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Bowman's license be renewed free and clear.

#### Angie Bertonus

Ms. Bertonus appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported pending criminal charges for battery. She reported an arrest in 2006 for OWI. Mr. Burghduff recommended contact with ISNAP for evaluation and probationary license for at least 3 months compliance with an ISNAP RMA.

#### 6. Gary Goodwin

Mr. Goodwin appeared before the Board regarding his application for renewal of licensure. He reported a termination and pending criminal charges for alleged time card falsification. Mr. Burghduff recommended that the consideration of his renewal application be tabled until the conclusion of an investigation by the Attorney General's office.

#### Natalie Mishler

Ms. Mishler appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI conviction for which she is on criminal probation until March of 2010. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Mishler contact ISNAP and be evaluated and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### Veronica Marten Hughes

Ms. Hughes appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI conviction. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she contact ISNAP and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 9. Dawn Fessel

Ms. Fessel appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 arrest for OWI. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she contact ISNAP and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

## 10. Ruth Alexander - Continued to January 21, 2010 as of 11/16/09 request

## 11. Mary Shumaker

Ms. Shumaker appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 conviction in Ohio for an OWI. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she contact ISNAP and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 12. Tara McIntire

Ms. McIntire appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 reprimand by the Kentucky Board of Nursing for administering IV fluids without a physician order. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she be renewed free and clear.

## 13. Charymar Gerding

Ms. Gerding appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of her license. She reported current probationary status of her nursing license in Kentucky for charting and documentation errors. Mr. Burghduff recommended that her license be issued on a probationary status for at least the duration of and with the same conditions of her Kentucky probationary order.

#### 14. Debra Trueblood

Ms. Trueblood appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2007 OWI and two terminations since her last renewal. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Trueblood contact ISNAP and sign an RMA if eligible; she will be renewed on a probationary status for at least 3 months of ISNAP RMA compliance.

#### Jessica Walker

Ms. Walker appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2008 termination for diversion of narcotics. She reports a current pending criminal charge for theft. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Walker continue with her ISNAP participation and that she be renewed free and clear.

#### 16. Tracy Dilk

Ms. Dilk appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported charges resulting from an altercation at a tavern. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she contact ISNAP for evaluation and that she sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be issued a probationary license for at least 3 months of ISNAP compliance if eligible.

#### 17. Joshua Wilson

Mr. Wilson appeared before the Board regarding his application for renewal of licensure. He reported a termination for a medication error. Mr. Burghduff recommended that his license be renewed free and clear.

#### 18. Caroline Hale

Ms. Hale appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a termination for falsification of records. Mr. Burghduff recommended that the consideration of her renewal application be tabled pending the resolution of the Attorney General's investigation.

#### 19. Cvnthia Burton

Ms. Burton appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a July 2009 arrest for OWI. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Burton contact ISNAP and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 20. Debra Holm

Ms. Holm appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported disciplinary action by the Illinois State Board of Nursing for providing a coworker with medication without a prescription. The result was an official reprimand. Mr. Burghduff recommended that her license be renewed free and clear.

#### 21. Sylvia McBride

Ms. McBride appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a termination for medication errors. Mr. Burghduff recommended that her license be renewed free and clear.

## 22. Jennifer Butterfield

Ms. Butterfield appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI conviction for which she is on criminal probation until March of 2010. She has a previous conviction for OWI in 1996. She has already initiated contact with ISNAP. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she follow through with an ISNAP RMA. She is to be renewed free and clear.

## 23. Marlyn Bateman

Ms. Bateman appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. The Medicaid Fraud Control Unit supplied a copy of an investigation report that she was a DON at a facility where a patient death was alleged to be the result of not following recommendation that no bed rail. Mr. Burghduff recommended that consideration of her renewal application be tabled pending the outcome of the Attorney General's office investigation.

## 24. Vickie Wright

Ms. Wright appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI conviction for which she is on criminal probation for 1 year. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Wright contact ISNAP and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 25. Alyssa Matthews

Ms. Matthews appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI arrest that was plead down to reckless driving. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Matthews contact ISNAP and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 26. Veronica Russo

Ms. Russo appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI arrest for which she is currently on criminal probation. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Russo contact ISNAP and sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 27. Victoria Crawford

Ms. Crawford appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported disciplinary action at her place of employment for sharing medication without a prescription. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Crawford's license be renewed free and clear.

#### 28. Rachael Steckler

Ms. Steckler appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 OWI conviction. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Steckler contact ISNAP for evaluation and to sign an RMA if eligible. Her license has been renewed free and clear.

## 29. Tina England

Ms. England appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported pending criminal charges for improper destruction of narcotics at her place of employment. She is currently participating in ISNAP. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. England continue her ISNAP participation, and that her license be renewed free and clear but to also refer the matter to the Attorney General's office.

## 30. Dan Connolly

Mr. Connelly appeared before the Board regarding his application for renewal of licensure. He reported a 2009 OWI conviction. He reports a prior DUI conviction from 1997. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Mr. Connolly's license be renewed on a probationary status for at least 3 months of compliance with an ISNAP RMA, if eligible.

#### 31. Melody Ryan

Ms. Ryan appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported 2 OWIs, a current malpractice suit, and disciplined in her scope of employment. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Ryan's license be renewed on a probationary status for at least 3 months of compliance with an ISNAP RMA, if eligible.

#### 32. Christopher Spangler

Mr. Spangler appeared in person and by counsel before the Board regarding the positive response on his application for renewal of licensure. Mr. Spangler disclosed an August 1, 2009 arrest for OWI for which he has a pending Court date. He disclosed a prior OWI arrest in 2005. He has already contacted ISNAP to initiate the monitoring process. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Mr. Spangler's license be renewed on a probationary status for at least 3 months of complete compliance with an ISNAP RMA.

## 33. Angela Bischoff

Ms. Bischoff appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2008 termination for excessive tardiness, and a 2009 suspension from her employment for tardiness issues. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Bischoff's license be renewed free and clear.

#### 34. Allysa Carlstedt

Ms. Carlstedt appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a 2009 conviction for OWI for which she is on criminal probation until August 2010. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Carlstedt contact ISNAP for an evaluation and that she sign an RMA if eligible. She is to be renewed free and clear.

#### 35. Susannah Munz

Ms. Munz appeared in person and by counsel Mindy Shapiro before the Board regarding the positive response on her application for renewal of licensure. Ms. Munz disclosed a termination on her renewal application but did not provide a statement detailing the circumstances regarding her termination. She explained that she was the DON at a facility and did not have adequate resources to complete her job effectively. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she be renewed free and clear.

#### 36. Rhonda Davis

Ms. Davis appeared before the Board regarding her application for renewal of licensure. She reported a felony criminal conviction for prescription fraud. She is currently participating in ISNAP and is on criminal probation for a period of 8 years. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Davis be renewed on a probationary status.

## 37. Kelly Gene Strubinger

Mr. Strubinger did not appear before the Board regarding his application for renewal of licensure. ISNAP reports that he is significantly noncompliant with the terms of his RMA. Mr. Burghduff recommended that his renewal application be denied.

#### 38. Ronald Altenhof

Mr. Altenhof did not appear before the Board regarding his application for renewal of licensure. He will be rescheduled for the December Board meeting.

## C. Appearances by Applicants for Renewal - More Than Three Years

1. David Lawson – expired 1993

Mr. Lawson did not appear before the Board regarding his application for renewal of his expired license. Mr. Burghduff recommended that his renewal application be denied.

These minutes reflect the ALJ recommendations made to the full Board at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 19, 2009.

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Indiana State Board of Nursing adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Laurel Valentino, R.N., President	Date
Lynda Narwold, R.N., Secretary	Date

**Next Scheduled Meeting:** 

Thursday, December 10, 2009 - Full Board Meeting
Indiana Government Center-South
Auditorium